VILLAGE OF COLD SPRING SPECIAL BOARD for a COMPREHENSIVE PLAN/LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PLAN

Minutes Meeting of October 25, 2012 At Village Hall, 85 Main Street

Present: Mike Armstrong, Chair; Anne Impellizzeri, Vice-Chair; Members: Karen Doyle,

Marie Early, Cathryn Fadde, Stephanie Hawkins, Michael Reisman, Dick Weissbrod

Absent: Anthony Phillips,

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:50 pm.

Remarks of Chair

Mike Armstrong said that he, Stephanie Hawkins and Mayor Gallagher met with Linda Cooper, regional director of the Office of Parks and Recreation in Dobbs Ferry on Monday, October 22 to discuss Dockside. Also attending the meeting were Dan Miller of the DEC, OSI's Paul Elconin and a number of other attendees, including Bill Bauman. One of the topics of discussion was the Village's contract with the Office of Parks, specifically to make progress on the draft contract which the Village had sent to the Office of Parks almost a year ago. Linda Cooper has promised to process the draft contract expeditiously. The second topic of discussion is the stabilization project at Dockside. Dan Miller wants to start two projects to try out new stabilization methodologies and he would like to have one of the projects at Dockside. Dan Miller is willing to prepare the RFP for the design phase, to seek the funding for the design phase and to select a design firm. Dan Miller estimates this could be done within a 6 month timeframe (write the RFP and get the design work underway). The LWRS section on Dockside, including the concept plan, was shared with Linda Cooper at the meeting; this section could be the plan under which the Village's agreement with the State could operate. Linda Cooper said she would review the section more thoroughly but she was very happy with what she had seen thus far. At this point, the Village is not being asked for funds. Barney Molloy, a resident and member of the audience and participant in agencies working on such questions, made some comments on the new methodologies being considered.

Armstrong also reported that the Village Board approved the GreenPlan contract at the Village Board meeting on Oct. 23. Central Hudson had a representative at that Village Board meeting and gave a presentation on tree trimming; the tree trimming which has been done by Central Hudson meets the new federal standards for tree trimming which is much more aggressive than had been in place until recently.

Minutes – September 13, 2012 and October 11, 2012

Michael Reisman made a motion to approve the minutes for September 13, 2012, as corrected. This was seconded by Dick Weissbrod. The motion was passed unanimously, with abstentions from Marie Early and Karen Doye who were not in attendance at that meeting.

Anne Impellizzeri made a motion to approve the minutes for October 11, 2012. The motion was seconded by Weissbrod and approved unanimously with one abstention from Armstrong, who was not in attendance at that meeting.

Report of the Planning Board liaison

Weissbrod reported that the Planning Board had a workshop on Dunkin Donuts and had proposed that Dunkin Donuts be approved without a drive-through on a trial basis; however, Ken Elmes refused. The Planning Board then decided to have an independent traffic engineer (John Church) assess the Traffic Study provided by the site owners specifically traffic on the site. In addition, all easements were found to be in order. No further meetings will be scheduled until the new traffic review has been completed; the applicant has agreed to the new schedules.

Update on Dockside Project

Impellizeri reported that, as planned, she had met with and talked with David Hardy and Ray Fusco (of the HMP workgroup) and has incorporated their comments in the draft Dockside document that was circulated to board members on Oct. 24. Subsequent to that draft, Ray had recommended that the draft document identify the source of some comments to Bill Bauman (Fahnestock Park Manager); there was general agreement with this, including the inclusion of the date and location of the meeting when Bauman's comments were made. Early will determine if she has the audio of that meeting. Reisman identified the source of the information as the Fahenstock Master Plan; Armstrong will search for a link to this document. There was discussion about the safety issues of boating from Dockside and how, if at all, the topic of "safety" issues should be included in the draft. Ray's and Dave's original review comments are in the draft in red. SB members should send their comments on the Oct. 24 draft to Impellizzeri; a final review will occur at the next meeting.

GreenPlan Contract/Workplan, Policies

This topic was deferred.

GreenPlan Draft Inventory and Analysis

GreenPlan has provided the Word version of the I&A. The 3 topics handled by Armstrong, Impellizzeri and Early will be included in that document. Armstrong asked that if anyone had any suggestions for the placeholder images, please send him your suggestions. An updated Word version of the I&A including the wording for the 3 topics should be available by Nov. 5.

Plans for November 17 Public Workshop

In a conversation with Ted Fink where Impellizzeri and Armstrong asked for the policies so that they could be reviewed before the Nov. 17 workshop, a new idea emerged. The idea is to have as the main topic rising sea level. As a rough estimate, a rise in sea level of 50 inches may be expected 30 to 40 years from now, which would have a significant impact on low lying areas as shown on the new FEMA map (which will become official in March, 2013 replacing the 1984 FEMA map). As part of the topic, the effects on infrastructure would also be discussed. This idea (sea level rise specific to Cold Spring as the topic for the Nov. 17 workshop) was discussed by the SB members. After considerable debate, Reisman made a motion to reschedule the Nov. 17 workshop to Jan. 19, 2013 meeting and that the board continue working with GreenPlan on the policy development with some policies received by Nov. 5, and that we bring in experts at the Dec. 6 meeting to discuss climate change/sea level rise. The motion was seconded by Weissbrod and approved unanimously.

Fast Food Formula Businesses Project update

This topic was deferred to the next meeting.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Adjournment

Weissbrod made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Reisman and adopted unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted,	
Marie E. Early, Secretary	
Signed,	
Michael J. Armstrong	